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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

TOMOHARU HASE

Appln. No.: 09/145,982

Filed: September 3, 1998

For: EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND
DEVICE MANUFACTURING
METHOD INCLUDING GAS
PURGING OF A SPACE
CONTAINING OPTICAL
COMPONENTS

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: Examiner: H. Nguyen

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: June 27, 2001
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The Commissioner for Patents

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Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

In response to the final Official Action dated March 27, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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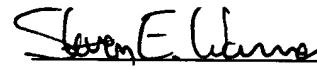
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

 No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	14	MINUS	20	= 0	x \$ 9 \$18	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	8	MINUS	8	= 0	x \$39 \$78	\$ 0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$130°/\$270						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$ 0.00

- "Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
- A check in the amount of \$____ is enclosed.
- Charge \$____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$____ to cover the Extension fee for response within ____ months is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$____ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- Applicant's attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.



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